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Dear Examiner Rhee:

OFFICE ACTION OF NOVEMBER 4, 2002

Enclosed please find another copy of the faxed inquiry sent on November 13, 2002. This inquiry was sent as a result of your advisory action dated November 4, 2002.

We hasten to call your attention to the additional facts of this case as follows, in sequential order:

- 1. Date of final rejection dated March 25, 2002
- Faxed remarks on May 24, 2002 to explain the invention due to the belief of the Examiner's wrongful interpretation
- 3. Mailed response to final rejection on June 7, 2002. No timely advisory received
- 4. Advisory action received dated November 4, 2002, five months after response to final rejection.

Applicant had no way of determining to file an appeal since USPTO had not acted. Please advise what action will next be taken especially in view of inability to understand advisory action as per November 13, 2002 fax.

Respectfully Submitted

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The following is a quotation from your recently received office action. It appears that the typist omitted something in the third paragraph of Section 1 of your letter.

"In response to applicant's argument that the levels of UL ballistic protection is not inherent I the layers disclosed by the applicant, the applicant's disclosed prior art teaches that its well known in the art that the use of increased thickness of fiberglass rated beyond Level 1 protection."

Since we are unable to comprehend the meaning of what was intended, please review your office action, make the needed insertion and change the due date for response.

Thank you for your courtesy in this matter.

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